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Michael Williams For US Senate Committee (Currently registered as Michael Re: Williams For Congress Committee); 2010 July Quarterly Report

Dear Mr. Matheson,

This letter is submitted by the undersigned counsel on behalf of Michael Williams For US Senate Committee/ Michael Williams For Congress Committee (C00457960) in response to your Request For Additional Information (RFAI) dated June 17, 2011, regarding the Committee's 2010 July Quarterly Report.

The RFAI states, "Your committee reported receipt of contributions designated for the 2010 Primary and Runoff, elections that did not occur." You assert that "[w]ithin 60 days of the announcement on April 1, 2010 that this election would not be held, contributions designated for this election had to be refunded to the contributors or redesignated to another election," citing 11 CFR 110.1(b)(3) and Advisory Opinions 2009-15 and 1992-15.

We respectfully submit, based on our understanding of the appropriate regulatory provisions, the Committee has complied with the Commission's redesignation and refund requirements in conjunction with the Committee's 2010 Senate activity.

Michael Williams filed as a US Senate candidate on December 16, 2008 for the much anticipated and expected Special Election for the seat of Texas Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, who publicly indicated that she would likely resign her Senate seat to run for Texas Governor in 2010. However, unlike other candidates seeking her seat, including the requestor in Advisory Opinion 2009-15, Mr. Williams filed only as a candidate for the expected 2010 Senate race.